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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Paddock et al.

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AND ADVANCED TECHNIQUES FOR
ENHANCING DELIVERED SOUND



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Examiner: J. Saunders

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed October 1, 2008, Applicants hereby provisionally elect Group II (claims 6-11, 15-18, and 27-32) for continued examination, with traverse. A Petition for Extension of Time, extending the time of response by 1 month to December 1, 2008, is filed concurrently herewith.

The Examiner has required restriction between the following groups of claims:

Group I Claims 1-5, drawn to method for enhancing transmitted audio data, comprising digital coding, pre-emphasis, transmission, decoding, and de-emphasis;

Group II Claims 6-11, 15-18 and 27-32, drawn to a method and corresponding apparatus for distinctly processing a received audio signal in multiple bands, combining the processed bands, and applying further processing to the combined audio signal;